



General Assembly

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Raised Bill No. 6497

LCO No. 3784



Referred to Committee on CHILDREN

Introduced by:
(KID)

AN ACT CONCERNING THE MARKETING OF FIREARMS TO YOUNG CHILDREN.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. (*Effective July 1, 2013*) (a) There is established a Task Force
2 on Marketing of Firearms to Young Children. The task force shall
3 study the effects of the firearm industry's attempts to market firearms
4 to children and whether such marketing has contributed to a rise in
5 violence in the state. The task force shall consist of the following
6 members: (1) The Commissioner of Children and Families, or said
7 commissioner's designee, (2) the Commissioner of Social Services, or
8 said commissioner's designee, (3) the Commissioner of Correction, or
9 said commissioner's designee, (4) the executive director of the Court
10 Support Services Division of the Judicial Branch, or said executive
11 director's designee, (5) the Chief State's Attorney, or said Chief State's
12 Attorney's designee, (6) one member of the General Assembly
13 appointed by the president pro tempore of the Senate, (7) one member
14 of the General Assembly appointed by the speaker of the House of
15 Representatives, (8) one member of the General Assembly appointed
16 by the majority leader of the Senate, (9) one member of the General

17 Assembly appointed by the majority leader of the House of
 18 Representatives, (10) one member of the General Assembly appointed
 19 by the minority leader of the Senate, (11) one member of the General
 20 Assembly appointed by the minority leader of the House of
 21 Representatives, and (12) one member designated by the Commission
 22 on Children. All appointments to the task force shall be made not later
 23 than July 31, 2013. Any vacancy shall be filled by the appointing
 24 authority.

25 (b) The task force shall: (1) Study the effects of the firearm industry's
 26 attempts to market firearms to children; (2) receive reports and
 27 testimony from individuals, state and local agencies, community-based
 28 organizations and other public and private organizations; (3) make
 29 recommendations to the General Assembly and the Governor for new
 30 or enhanced policies to address the findings of the task force; (4) gather
 31 and maintain current information regarding the marketing of firearms
 32 to children that can be used to better understand the impact of such
 33 marketing on youth behavior; and (5) advise the General Assembly
 34 and the Governor concerning the coordination and administration of
 35 state programs that may reduce the effects of marketing firearms to
 36 young children.

37 (c) Not later than October 1, 2014, the task force shall submit, in
 38 accordance with the provisions of section 11-4a of the general statutes,
 39 a report to the General Assembly and the joint standing committee of
 40 the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to
 41 children specifying the task force's findings and recommendations
 42 pursuant to subsection (b) of this section.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	July 1, 2013	New section

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Statement of Purpose:

To study the effects of marketing firearms to young children within the state.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]